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REF: A) USUN 6948; B) USUN 6939; C) USUN 6937 (NOTAL)

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1. SUMMARY UN SECURITY COUNCIL (UNSC) MET AFTERNOON DECEMBER 22 AND ADOPTED DRAFT NONALIGNED-WEASTERN RESOLUTION ON PORTUGUESE TIMOR UNANIMOUSLY BY 15 VOTES TO NONE. TEXT OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED (REF A) UNCHANGED FROM THAT IN REF D. END SUMMARY

2. UNSC PRESIDENT RICHARD (UK) INTRODUCED DRAFT RESOLUTION FROM CHAIR. NUMBER OF UNSC MEMBERS AND INTERESTED PARTIES SPOKE DURING MEETING.

3. BEFORE VOTE, GUINEA (CISSE) SPOKE TO SAY IN PART: "GUINEA CONDEM  
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INVASION AND URGEST INDONESIA NOT TO STRAY FROM ITS HONORED PLACE AMONG THE NON-ALIGNED".

4. AFTER RICHARD HAD PUT THE RESOLUTION TO VOTE, CHINA (LA YA-LI) SPOKE TO DENOUNCE INDONESIA, URGE IT TO WITHDRAW, AND CEASE ALL INTERVENTION IN PORTUGUESE TIMOR. LAI YA-LI THEN GRUMBLED AGAIN ABOUT OPERATIVE PARAS 3,4, AND 5 (REF B) AND SAID CHINA SAY NO NEED FOR UN SERETARY GENERAL (UNSYG) TO SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO PORTUGUESE TIMOR. HOWEVER, IF SO, SYG'S REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD DO SO ONLY TO OBSERVE WITHDRAWAL OF INDONESIAN FORCES.

5. CAMEROONS (OYONO) APPEALED TO INDONESIA AS "FRATERNAL COUNTRY BELONGING TO THE NON-ALIGNED" TO CREATE CONDITIONS FOR SELF-DETERMINATION IN EAST TIMOR. OYONO SAID THAT THE UN MUST ACT TO PREVENT A POSSIBLE VACUUM OF AUTHORITY IN EAST TIMOR WHEN INDONESIANS WITHDRAW.

6. GUYANA (SANDERS) CALLED FOR CONDITIONS FAVORABLE TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND FOR NO OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE IN THE DOMESTIC AFFAIRS OF EAST TIMOR.

7. SWEDEN(RYDBECK) REGRETTED THAT RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EAST TIMOR HAD DEMONSTRATED THAT "HIGH EXPECTATIONS" FOR DECOLONIZATION CAN BE ACCOMPAINED BY "VULNERABILITY" AND "UNCERTAINTY". RYDBECK SAID SWEDEN WOULD HAVE PREFERRED "MORE SPECIFICITY" IN THE RESOLUTION. THERE COULD BE NO CONDONING OF OCCUPATION NO MATTER WHAT THE PRETEXT". RYDBECK EMPHASZIED TOO THAT PORTUGAL MUST "EXERCISE ITS RESPONSIBILITIES."

8. JAPAN (EAITO) APPLAUDED UNANIMOUS ADOPTION, ALTHOUGH NOTING THAT RESOLUTION DID NOT FULLY SATISFY ALL. SAITO PAID "SPECIAL TRIBUTE" TO THE NON-ALIGNED (GAYANA, TANZANIA AND THE CAMEROONS) WHO DID MUCH OF THE DRAFTING AND HEEDED THE VIEWS OF OTHERS. HE STRESSED THAT THE PRIMARY TASK IS TO RE-ESTABLISH PEACE AND ORDER IN PORTUGUESE TIMOR SO AS TO "ENABLE" INDONESIA'S WITHDRAWAL. SAITO HOPED THAT THE UNSYG'S REPRESENTATIVE WOULD DEPART IMMEDIATELY.

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9. COSTA RICA (SALAZAR) SAID, WHILE IT TRUE THAT UNSC HAD HEARD REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED, INFORMATION AVAILABLE WAS STILL FRAGMENTARY REGARDING SITUATION IN PORTUGUESE TIMOR. IN OTHER SITUATIONS, REPRESENTATIVESOF THE UNSYG HAD PULLED TOGETHER THE FACTS ACCURATELY. SALAZAR MADE CLEAR THE HOPE THAT THIS AGAIN WOULD PROVE THE CASE. SALAZAR, WHILE NOTING TURMOIL IN PORTUGAL SINCE APRIL 25, 1974, COULD NOT JUSTIFY PORTUGAL'S PERFORMANCE IN TIMOR NOR INDONESIA'S ARMED

INTERVENTION.

10. ITALY (VINCI) SAW THE RESOLUTION AS A "PROPER BALANCE". IT SEEKS TO MAKE A UN PRESENCE FELT AT ONCE IN ORDER TO AVOID A VACUUM. VINCI PRAISED THE "GREAT SPIRIT OF COOPERATION" DEMONSTRATED BY TANZANIA, THE CAMEROONS AND GUYANA AND THEIR "GREAT SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY AS UNSC MEMBERS" IN DRAFTING THE JOINT RESOLUTION.

11. TANZANIA (SALIM) URGED ESTABLISHMENT OF CONDITIONS CONDUCIVE TO SELF-DETERMINATION.

12. FRANCE (LECOMPT) EXPRESSED PLEASURE OVER THE JOINT EFFORTS TO DRAW UP A RESOLUTION. LECOMPT DESCRIBED THE RESOLUTION'S "BALANCE" AS ITS "MAIN MERIT". FRANCE CONSIDERED IT MORE BALANCED THAN UNGA RESOLUTION 3485 (XXX) OF DECEMBER 12 ON WHICH FRANCE ABSTAINED.

13. FRETILIN (HORTA) THEN SPOKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT FRETILIN HAD CAPTURED CONSIDERABLE QUANTITIES OF US-MANUFACTURED ARMS FROM THE INDONESIANS. HE STRESSED THAT THE US, AUSTRALIA, AND THE UK HAD PROVIDED INDONESIA ARMS TO PRESERVE ITS SECURITY NOT TO MOUNT AGGRESSION. HORTA SAID IT WAS "IMPOSSIBLE TO STOP THE MARCH OF THE PEOPLE". THE LONGER TINDONESIA REMAINED IN EAST TIMOR THE GREAT WOULD BE THE BLOODSHED. HORTA SAID FRETILIN WOULD ALWAYS BE READY FOR TALKS. FRETILIN WANTED PEACE AND INDEPENDENCE FOR EAST TIMOR. HORTA CONCLUDED THAT IT WELCOMED THE SC RESOLUTION AND CALLED FOR URGENT IMPLEMENATION OF OPERATIVE PARAS 1 AND 2.

14. PORTUGAL (GALVAO TELEX) CALLED FOR AN END TO MILITARY AGGRESSION BY INDONESIA. GALVAO TELES DESCRIBED THE RESOLUTION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AS "UNFAIR" BECAUSE IT DID NOT EXPLAIN DIFFICULTIES MADE FOR PORTUGAL IN TIMOR BY INDONESIA. FURTHERMORE, THE RESOLUTION DID NOT RECOGNIZE THAT PORTUGAL HAD DONE ALL IT COULD TO PROMOTE SELF-DETERMINATION IN THE FACE OF INDONESIA'S INTERFERENCE. ON THE WHOLE, HOWEVER, GALVAO TELES CONSIDERED THE RESOLUTION "POSITIVE". AND ONE THAT SHOULD HELP THE PEOPLE OF PORTUGUESE TIMOR TO BECOME FREE.

15. INDONESIA (SA I), AFTER EXPRESSING "SINCERE THANKS AND APPRECIATION" TO PRESIDENT RICHARD AND THE OTHER DELEGATIONS FOR THEIR EFFORTS ON THE RESOLUTION, SAID INDONESIA WAS NOT FULLY HAPPY WITH THE RESOLUTION BECAUSE IT DID NOT TAKE "SUFFICIENTLY INTO CONSIDERATION" WHAT HAD IN EFFECT HAD HAPPENED IN EAST TIMOR. SANI HOPED THAT MEASURES TAKEN IN EAST TIMOR

WOULD INDEED ESTABLISH TRUE PEACE. THEREFORE, WTATEVER THE  
ACTION THE UN DECIDES, SUCH ACTION MUST BE BASED ON  
CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH EAST TIMOR'S PEOPLE. SANI CONCLUDED THAT  
INDONESIA, FOR ITS PART, WOULD DO ITS BEST TO  
COOPERATE WITH THE UN.

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